## **DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**



U.S. Army Corps of Engineers WASHINGTON, D.C. 20314-1000

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF: CEPR-P (715)

0.5 MAR 2002

MEMORANDUM FOR COMMANDERS/DIRECTORS, ALL USACE COMMANDS, ATTN: DIRECTORS/CHIEFS OF CONTRACTING

SUBJECT: Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting (PARC) Instruction Letter 2002-05, Suspension of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantage Business

- 1. Reference enclosed Memorandum dated 31 January 2002, SAB.
- 2. This PARC Instruction Letter 2002-05 is issued to reemphasize that contracting officers shall continue to suspend the use of the price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged businesses (SDBs) in DoD procurements, as prescribed in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 19. This suspension applies to all solicitations issued during the period from 24 February 2002 to 23 February 2003.
- 3. The POC for action is Song Zobrist, CEPR-P, (202) 761-8644.

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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTORS OF DEFENSE AGENCIES

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DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (PROCUREMENT)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR LOGISTICS POLICY AND ACQUISITION

MANAGEMENT (DLA)

SUBJECT: Suspension of the Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small

Disadvantaged Businesses

All Department of Defense (DoD) contracting activities shall continue to suspend the use of the price evaluation adjustment for small disadvantaged businesses (SDRs) in DoD procurements, as prescribed in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Subpart 19.11.

Subsection 2323(e) of title 10, United States Code (U.S.C.), as amended by Section 801 of the Strom Thurmond National Deviense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999, prohibits DoD from exercising the authority for a price exceeding fair market cost if the Secretary determines at the beginning of the fiscal year that DoD achieved the 5 percent goal established by subsection 2323(a) in the most recent fiscal year for which data are available. The determination has been made that in fiscal year 2001, DoD exceeded the 5 percent goal established in 10 U.S.C. 2323(a) for contract awards to SDBs. Accordingly, use of the price evaluation adjustment prescribed in FAR 19.11 is suspended for DoD.

This suspension applies to all solicitations issued during the period from February 24, 2002, to February 23, 2003.

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cc: DSMC, Ft. Belvoir

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